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SUBJECT: SLOVAKIA EXPECTS TO RATIFY NATO ENLARGEMENT IN 2008

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¶1. (SBU) Poloff discussed reftel text with Martin Pangrac, Political Affairs Officer in the MFA Security Policy Department. Pangrac assured Poloff that Slovakia is aware of ratification and deposit procedures and predicted Slovakia will deposit its instruments before the end of the year.

¶2. (SBU) The Slovak government approved ratification documents on September 17. These will be submitted to Parliament, and should be approved between November 21 and December 12. Pangrac said there is "almost zero per cent chance of complications" and President Gasparovic has said he will sign the documents as soon as they are approved by Parliament.
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